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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Artavanis-Tsakonas *et al.*

Confirmation No.: 8375

Serial No.: 10/781,060

Art Unit: 1649

Filed: February 17, 2004

Examiner: Aditi Dutt

For: THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC
METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS
BASED ON NOTCH PROTEINS
AND NUCLEIC ACIDS

Attorney Docket No: 7326-131

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

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In response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 30, 2006, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, please consider the remarks below.

Applicants submit herewith a Petition for an Extension of Time for five months from April 30, 2006 to and including September 30, 2006, accompanied by the appropriate fee.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.